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Postal Rate and Fee Changes

Docket No. R97-1

PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND

(September 11, 1997)

On September 10, 1997, the Postal Service filed timely responses to Office of the Consumer Advocate interrogatories 1(a), (b), (f), 3, 4, 8 and 9 directed to witness Macdonald. With respect to interrogatories 1(c), (d), (e), (g), 2 and 5-7, the Postal Service indicates that due to the absences of the witness and other key personnel, it was unable to file the responses on the September 10th deadline and requests an extension until September 19th to file its responses. The Service indicates that in order to mitigate the adverse effect of this delay, the Service will provide responses to follow-up interrogatories as close as possible to the due date for responses to follow-up interrogatories had the original answers been timely filed. I will grant the extension requested by the Postal Service.

RULING

The United States Postal Service Motion for Extension of Time to Respond to Remaining Interrogatories in Set, filed September 10, 1997, is granted.

Edward J. Gleiman

Presiding Officer